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## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

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## LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

TO:

Department of Justice (Attention: James Knapp)

Department of the Treasury (Attention: Robert Powis)
Department of Defense (Attention: Bill Snider and

Al Franklin)

Central Intelligence Agency (Attention: Rob Davis)

General Services Administration (Attention: Frank Carr)

National Security Council

SUBJECT:

House Government Operations Committee markup of H.R. 4620,

"Federal Telecommunications Privacy Act of 1984".

Attached is a copy of the subject bill as ordered reported by the House Government Operations Committee. Please advise us no later than COB - MONDAY, APRIL 16, 1984, of your agency's recommendation for an Administration position on this legislation should it be considered by the full House. This is a firm deadline.

Direct your questions to Branden Blum/(395-3802), the legislative

attorney in this office.

Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

## Enclosure

cc:

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## AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 4620 OFFERED BY MR. BROOKS

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

- l That this Act may be cited as the ''Federal
- 2 Telecommunications Privacy Act of 1984''.
- 3 SEC. 2. Title I of the Federal Property and.
- 4 Administrative Services Act of 1949 is amended by adding at
- 5 the end thereof the following new section:
- 6 ''RECORDING OF CONVERSATIONS ON FEDERAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS
- 7 SYSTEM
- 8 ''SEC. 113. (a)(1) Except as provided in subsections
- 9 (b), (c), and (d), no Federal officer or employee shall
- 10 cause or permit the recording of, or listening-in upon, any
- 11 conversation conducted on the Federal telecommunications
- 12 system established under section 7 of the Act of June 14,
- 13 1946 (40 U.S.C. 295), or made available under section 110 of
- 14 this Act.
- 15 ''(2) Except as provided in subsections (b), (c), and
- 16 (d), no Federal officer or employee shall cause or permit
- 17 the recording of, or listening-in upon, any conversation
- 18 conducted on any other telecommunications system if the
- 19 conversation (A) is between a Federal officer or employee
- 20 and any other person and (B) involves the conduct of
- 21 Government business.

1	''(b) Without the consent of any party to a
2	conversation, the recording of, or listening-in upon, such
3	conversation may be conducted notwithstanding subsection (a)
4	if such recording or listening-in is authorized under, and
5	conducted in accordance with the requirements of, the
6	Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (18
7	U.S.C. 2510 et seq.), the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance
8	Act of 1978 (50 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.), or other applicable
9	law.
LO	''(c) With the consent of one party to a conversation,
11	the recording of, or listening-in upon, such conversation
12	may be conducted notwithstanding subsection (a) if the
13	recording or listening-in is performed in accordance with
14	the following conditions:
15	''(1) The recording or listening-in is performed for
16	law enforcement purposes in accordance with procedures
17	established by the agency head, as required by the
18	Attorney General's guidelines for the administration of
19	the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968,
20	and in accordance with procedures established by the
21	Attorney General.
22	''(2) The recording or listening-in is performed for
23	counterintelligence purposes and approved by the
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25	''(3) The recording or listening-in is performed at

- a military command center for the purpose of ensuring the accuracy of verbal instructions to operating elements and preserving a record of such instructions to enhance the command and control of such elements.
  - outside the United States for counterterrorism purposes and approved by the Secretary of State or the designee of the Secretary of State.
  - "'(5) The recording or listening-in is performed by any Federal employee for public safety purposes and documented by a written determination of the agency head or the designee that cites the public safety needs and identifies the segment of the public needing protection and cites examples of the hurt, injury, danger, or risks from which the public is to be protected.
  - "'(6) The recording or listening-in is performed by a handicapped employee, provided a physician has certified (and the head of the agency or designee concurs) that the employee is physically handicapped and the head of the agency or designee determines that the use of a listening-in or recording device is required to fully perform the duties of the official position description. Equipment shall be for the exclusive use of the handicapped employee. The records of any interceptions by handicapped employees shall be used,

1	safeguarded, and destroyed (notwithstanding subsection
2	(h) of this section) in accordance with appropriate
3	agency records management and disposition systems.
4	''(7) The recording or listening-in is performed by
5	any Federal agency for service monitoring but only after
6	analysis of alternatives and a determination by the
7	agency head or the agency head's designee that
8	monitoring is required to effectively perform the agency
9	mission. Strict controls shall be established and
LO	adhered to for this type of monitoring.
11	''(d) With the consent of all the parties to a
12	conversation, the recording of, or listening-in upon, such
13	conversation may be conducted notwithstanding subsection
14	(a). This includes telephone conferences, secretarial
15	recording, and other acceptable administrative practices.
16	Strict supervisory controls shall be maintained to eliminate
17	any possible abuse of this privilege. The agency head or the
18	agency head's designee shall be informed of this capability
19	for listening-in or recording telephone conversations.
20	''(e)(1) Each agency shall ensure that
21	''(A) all listening-in or recording of telephone
22	conversations pursuant to paragraph (5), (6), or (7) of
23	subsection (c) shall have a written determination
24	approved by the agency head or the agency head's
25	designee before operations: and

1	''(B) service personnel who monitor listening-in or
2	recording devices shall be designated in writing
3	pursuant to paragraph (7) of subsection (c) and shall be
4	provided with written policies covering telephone
5	conversation monitoring which shall contain at a minimum
6	the following instructions:
7	''(i) no telephone call shall be monitored
8	unless the Federal agency has taken continuous
9	positive action to inform the callers of the
10	monitoring;
11	''(ii) no data identifying the caller shall be
12	recorded by the monitoring party;
13	''(iii) the number of calls to be monitored
14	shall be kept to the minimum necessary to compose a
15	statistically valid sample;
16	''(iv) agencies using telephone instruments that
17	are subject to being monitored shall conspicuously
18	label them with a statement to that effect; and
19	''(v) since no identifying data of the calling
20	party will be recorded, information obtained by the
21	monitoring shall not be used against the calling
22	party.
23	''(2) Current copies and subsequent changes of agency
24	documentation, determinations, policies, and procedures
25	supporting operations pursuant to paragraph (5), (6), or (7)

- of subsection (c) shall be forwarded before the operational date to the General Services Administration. Specific
- 3 telephones shall be identified in the documentation or
- 4 determination to prevent any possible abuse of the
- 5 authority.
- 6 ''(3) Procedures for monitoring performed under
- 7 paragraph (1) of subsection (c) shall contain at a minimum--
- 8 ''(A) the identity of an agency official who is
- 9 authorized to approve the actions in advance;
- 10 ''(B) an emergency procedure for use when advance
- 11 approval is not possible;
- 12 ''(C) adequate documentation on all actions taken;
- 13 ''(D) records administration and dissemination
- 14 procedures; and
- 15 ''(E) reporting requirements.
- 16 ''(4) Requests to the General Services Administration
- 17 for acquisition approval or installation of telephone
- 18 listening-in or recording devices shall be accompanied by a
- 19 determination as defined in subsection (j)(2).
- 20 ''(5) Each agency shall ensure that a program is
- 21 established to reevaluate at least every two years the need
- 22 for each determination authorizing listening-in or recording
- 23 of telephone conversations under this section.
- 24 ''(f)(1) The General Services Administration shall
- 25 periodically review the listening-in programs within the

- 1 agencies to ensure that agencies are complying with this
- 2 section and the Federal property management regulations and
- 3 shall undertake investigations concerning noncompliance with
- 4 paragraphs (5), (6), and (7) of subsection (c).
- 5 ''(2) The General Services Administration shall provide
- 6 assistance to agencies in determining what communications
- 7 devices fall within the listening-in or recording category.
- 8 The General Services Administration shall also provide
- 9 guidance and assistance in the development of administrative
- 10 alternatives to the listening-in or recording of telephone
- 11 conversations.
- 12 ''(3) The General Services Administration shall take
- 13 appropriate steps to obtain compliance with this section if
- 14 an agency has not documented its devices in accordance with
- 15 this section.
- 16 ''(g) Any Federal officer or employee who causes or
- 17 permits the recording of, or listening-in upon, any
- 18 conversation in violation of this section shall be fined not
- 19 more than \$10,000, or imprisoned for not more than one year,
- 20 or both; and shall forfeit his office and employment with
- 21 the United States.
- 22 ''(h) Any recording or transcript of a conversation made
- 23 under (or in violation of) this section shall constitute a
- 24 record deposited in a public office for purposes of section
- 25 2071 of title 18, United States Code, and shall not be

1	disposed of except in accordance with the procedures
2	established under chapter 33 of title 44, United States
3	Code.
4	''(i) The functions and responsibilities of the General
5	Services Administration and of agency heads and agency
6	heads' designees under this section shall not be delegated
7	or assigned.
8	''(j) For purposes of this section
9	''(1) the term 'Federal officer or employee'
10	includes any officer or employee of a Federal agency;
11	''(2) the term 'determination' means a written
12	document (usually a letter) that specifies the
13	operational need for listening-in or recording of
14	telephone conversations, indicates the specific system
15	and location where it is to be performed, lists the
16	number of telephones and recorders involved, establishes
17	operating times and a specific expiration date, and
18	justifies the use, and is signed by the agency head or
19	the agency head's designee;
20	''(3) the term 'agency head's designee' means only
21	the individual designated pursuant to section 3506(b) of
22	title 44. United States Code.''.